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Comprehension & Analysis Questions

Paul Revere's Ride

1. What is this poem about?
2. What is the significance of the Old North Church?
3. What does the phrase “one if by land, two if by sea” mean? Was there one or was there two?
4. Propaganda is information designed and spread to influence opinion. Do you think Henry Wadsworth Longfellow’s poem could be propaganda? Why or why not?

5. Underline parts of the poem that could influence someone to think in a certain way. How would these words and phrases influence someone's opinion?

6. How many times does Longfellow refer to death? Why do you think he does this?

7. Highlight the passage that references the fact that the Patriots fought with guerilla warfare.